

# **KIWANIS CLUB OF RIDGETOWN**

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## **NEWSLETTER FOR THE WEEK OF 6 JULY 2009**

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### **JULY 2, 2009**

Eighteen members and former Key Club member Rebecah kicked off our summer meetings at the home of Kiwanian Bill and Margaret Johnston. Thanks to Margaret and Margaret Richmond for a delicious dinner.

The business was brief as it looked like rain and we wanted to be done the meeting before it rained.

PLG Allen reminded members of the planned interclub to Genoa on August 22. Members will be asked for a firm commitment to the trip at our July 23 meeting. This is a fun day for golfers and non-golfers. Plan to attend.

Our July 9 meeting will be a barbeque in Kiwanis Park. The loft will be open prior to the barbeque. **Don't forget your lawn chair.** Kiwanis Park is on Main Street West, across from Johnston Bus Lines.

Thanks to members Greg, Chris, Kevin Hoskins, Gary June, Debbie, Dr. John and guests Owen Roberts and Sophie Arneill for completing the painting of the gazebo on Saturday. A big thanks to Kiwanian Chris for all his work in organizing the painting. He brought a ladder, all the necessary supplies and coordinated the painting with the staff at the Village. Thanks Chris!



VP Alan thanks our hosts

**KIWANIS is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to changing the world, one child and one community at a time.**

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Club Website: <http://www.ridgetownkiwanis.com>

E.C.& C. District Website: [www.kiwanisecc.org](http://www.kiwanisecc.org)

Kiwanis International Website: [www.kiwanis.org](http://www.kiwanis.org)



### REPORT FROM INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

CEO Rob Parker gave an update on current membership for the organization:

Kiwanis Clubs	250,000
Aktion Clubs	8,000
Key Club	250,000
Circle K	12,000
Kiwanis Junior	1,500
Total membership	521,500

All voting in the house of delegates was electronic this year. When delegates entered the house of delegates they were handed a device that looked much like a small remote control. CEO Rob Parker gave a fun presentation on the use of the device by asking delegates to practice vote a number of questions. The electronic voting saved a great deal of time for the election process.

1,890 Kiwanis Clubs from around the world were represented by 2,745 delegates and 639 delegates at large for a total of 3,384 delegates.

The following are the Kiwanis International officers for the 2009-10 Kiwanis Year:

President	Paul Palazzolo	from Illinois
President-elect	Sylvester Neal	from Washington state
Vice President	Alan Penn	from Ohio



E.C.&C. in the house of delegates. I was there representing Ridgetown.

### REPORT FROM INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

Amendments to the Kiwanis International Bylaws:

To allow clubs the flexibility to pay insurance premiums from their service account, administrative account or a combination of both.

Passed – 95% majority

To freeze the tiered dues levels in qualifying countries at the current level until 30 September 2012.

Passed – 95% majority

To change the billing date of dues for all clubs to October 1.

Passed – 97% majority

To eliminate the magazine exemption for one member of two member household.

Failed – 61% opposed

It was announced that Kiwanis would embark another World Wide Service Project. Proposals for a new project will be accepted until October 1, 2009. The International Committee and Board will decide on a project and it will be announced at the 2010 International Convention in Las Vegas.



2009-10 International President Paul Palazzolo with International Key Club and Circle K Presidents

**“ONE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE”**

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**The Kiwanis Club of Ridgetown meets weekly at 6:30 pm in the basement of the Mount Zion Presbyterian Church, 59 Main St. E., Ridgetown, every Thursday, from September 1<sup>st</sup> through June 30<sup>th</sup> each year. Summer meetings are hosted by members at various local addresses.**

**PAINTING THE GAZEBO**



**MEETING AND EVENT SCHEDULE**

July 9	Barbeque in Kiwanis Park
July 16	Greg Roberts
July 23	Allen Ure – board meeting
July 30	Rondeau Joe’s restaurant
August 5 – 8	E.C.&C. District Convention
August 6	Kevin Hoskins
August 13	Dave Vaughan & John Wright
August 15	Downhill Derby
August 20	Brad Carnie & Mike Mervin
August 22	INTERCLUB TO GENOA
August 27	Debbie & Dr. John
September 3	return to meetings at the Church
October 29	Quiz Night
2010	
February 11	Quiz Night



**The completed project**

**CLUB OFFICERS:**

**President: Debbie Button**

**Past President: June Guyitt**

**Vice-President: Alan Bloomfield**

**Secretary: Barb Doxtater**

**Treasurer: Gary Guyitt**

**DIRECTORS:**

**Dale Smith, John Button, Brad Carnie, John Case, (1 year)**

**Kevin Bartlett, Chris Arneill, Abdi Yuya, Kevin Hoskins (2 year)**

**DISTRICT & DIVISION OFFICERS:**

**Governor: Sheron Cameron-Dunn**

**Governor Elect: Gary Levine**

**Immediate Past Governor: Chuck McIlravey**

**Div. 4 Lt. Gov. Jim Garey**

**Div. 4 Past Lt. Gov. Randy Ross**